Cholera and Small-pox.

30. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state what steps they have taken for the necessary preventive and curative measures with regard to the prevalence of cholera and small-pox being applied with sufficient vigour?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Whenever cases of small-pox or cholera have occurred in particular areas, the Sanitary Department or the Municipality, as the case may be, has taken prompt curative and preventive measures, special medical officers being deputed in the case of epidemics.

Water Supply for Trivandrum Town.

31. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): With reference to their answer to question No. 192, given on the 19th January, 1924, *viz.*, "The member is referred to the answer to question No. 55 given at the meeting of the Council held on the 2nd November 1923.", will the Government be pleased to state in what stage the "action-taking" for the supply of drinking water in Trivandrum town is?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Definite proposals have been obtained and a scheme for a combined water and electric supply has been considered. The question of its adoption was delayed by a reference to the Municipality whose reply, expressing its inability to finance the scheme or to contribute towards it, was received only on the 13th October, 1925.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Now that the Municipality have expressed their inability to finance the scheme or to contribute towards it, may I know what action the Government propose to take in the matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The report has just been received and it is under consideration.

Ezhavas in the Police Department.

32. **MR. R. PADMANABHAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state how many Ezhava graduates there are in the Police Department as Inspectors?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Of three Ezhava Inspectors of Police, only one is a graduate. He is both a B. A. and a B. L.

MR. R. PADMANABHAN (*Nominated*): May I know how many years it is since the Ezhava graduate who is a Police Inspector was appointed?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is not before Government, because the question did not require it. The member simply wanted the number of Ezhava graduates employed as Inspectors in the department. Information regarding their services is not now available.

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